

#### State Newsletter Now Published Online

In an effort to cut down on paper and printing costs, the Indiana Board of Pharmacy has discontinued the direct mailing of *Newsletters* to all active pharmacists. Instead, the Pharmacy Board *Newsletter* will be published quarterly and featured both on the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) (www.nabp.net) and Board (www.in.gov/hpb/boards/isbp) Web sites. These savings will allow the Board and the Health Professions Bureau to concentrate efforts on improving customer service and initiate technology driven programs (such as e-licensure and online license renewals) that will further enhance practitioners' interactions with the Board and Health Professions Bureau.

# License Renewal Update

Pharmacist licenses expired on July 1, 2002. If you have not yet received a license renewal application, your license is invalid, and you must contact the Board office immediately or email hpb4@hpb.state.in.us. You may also fax your request to us, or any change of address notices, to the office at 317/233-4236. Practitioners can verify that their renewal has been updated by calling our toll-free verification line 1-888/333-7515.

## Donna S. Wall Elected NABP President-Elect

Donna S. Wall, PharmD, current member of the Indiana Board of Pharmacy, was recently elected president-elect of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) at its Annual Meeting in Phoenix, AZ. Wall, former president of the Indiana Board of Pharmacy, resides in Indianapolis and works at Indiana University Hospital of Clarian Healthcare. She will serve a one-year term as NABP president beginning May 2003.

# Now Available: Revised Pharmacy Statutes/Regulations

You may purchase a revised and updated hard copy of the Indiana Board of Pharmacy statutes and rules for \$10. An electronic version in .PDF and/or .doc formats are currently available on the Board's Web site at <a href="www.in.gov/hpb/boards/isbp">www.in.gov/hpb/boards/isbp</a> for no charge. Please send your name, mailing address, number of copies requested, a check or money order made payable to the "Health Professions Bureau" for \$10 per copy; and send it

to our office at 402 W Washington St, Room 041, Indianapolis, IN 46204. CD-ROM, 3.5-inch HDD disk, or e-mail text versions are also available for purchase at the same price.

## 2002 Board Meeting Schedule

The Board meets monthly to discuss pharmacy business, review applications, and preside over disciplinary matters. These meetings are open to the public, and we welcome your attendance and participation.

Meetings generally begin at 9 AM, and take place in the Indiana Government Center, Rooms 1 and 2 on the following dates in 2002:

August 12 November 12 September 9 December 9

October 15

Agendas for each meeting are posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting outside the Health Professions Bureau office, located at 402 W Washington St, Room 041, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Electronic copies of the current and archived agendas and past minutes are available on the Board's Web site.

# Pharmacist Recovery Network

Do you or someone you work with need help with a drug or alcohol addiction? Please contact the Pharmacist Recovery Network at 317/624-4401. All calls are held in strict confidence.

# Newly Licensed Pharmacists

Congratulations to the following pharmacists who became newly licensed in Indiana during the past few months:

Kevin James Trackwell	David Joseph Cauthon
Charles Mihalik	David Joseph Foerman
Carole Z Hahm	Jill Ann Moreth
Robert Henry	Heather Marie Johnson
David Richie Smith	Lena Vachirasomboon
Denise Lee Donley	Kathryn Byram Weber
Colleen Mary Burky	Connie Lynn Thomas
Anthony Joseph Traylor	Nichole Lynn Sizemore

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# **Zyprexa Tampering**

According to a report in Pharmacy Today,

"Recent reports of isolated tampering incidents for 60 count 10 mg and 15 mg bottles of Zyprexa (olanzapine) indicate that tablets were removed and replaced with white tablets marked 'aspirin.'

Pharmacists in the United States have reported the Zyprexa tampering incidents, which 'appear to be isolated and limited in scope,' according to [Eli] Lilly [and Company]. Zyprexa 10 mg tablets are round and white, marked in blue with the word 'Lilly' and the number '4117' on one side. The 15 mg tablets are oval and blue and marked similarly, with the number being '4415.' Any pharmacist who notices Zyprexa bottles with white tablets inside marked 'aspirin' should report it by calling [1-]800/668-4391.

Zyprexa is indicated for the treatment of schizophrenia and acute bipolar mania. Lilly is working with the Food and Drug Administration to investigate the problem and can be contacted with any further questions at [1-]800/LILLY-RX."

## OxyContin Reformulation Delayed

According to a report published in *Drug Topics*, "An abuse-resistant form of OxyContin (oxycodone) will not be ready next year as its manufacturer had hoped. Purdue Pharma is trying to develop an abuse-resistant form of its painkiller by adding naloxone to block the buzz of OxyContin when taken the wrong way. However, Purdue Pharma found that naloxone sometimes failed to relieve patients' pain when they took the combination drugs correctly. The widely prescribed narcotic painkiller, although considered important pain-management therapy for many patients, can be potentially lethal if chewed, inhaled, or injected; it has been linked to more than 100 deaths."

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